I GUESS OLD OZAKURA'S NOT SUCH A BAD GUY
HE MUST'VE REALIZED HOW YOU BOTH FEEL.
MAN, I'M SO GLAD.
JIN
PRIVAT
ETECT
OFFIC
CONGRATU-LATIONS
CONGRA-TULATIONS, SANBEI
DO YOU PLAN TO CONTINUE ACTING AS PRESIDENT? WHAT ABOUT SCHOOL?
AND WHEN IS THE CEREMONY?
YOU FINALLY BROKE OUT OF COMIC RELIEF.
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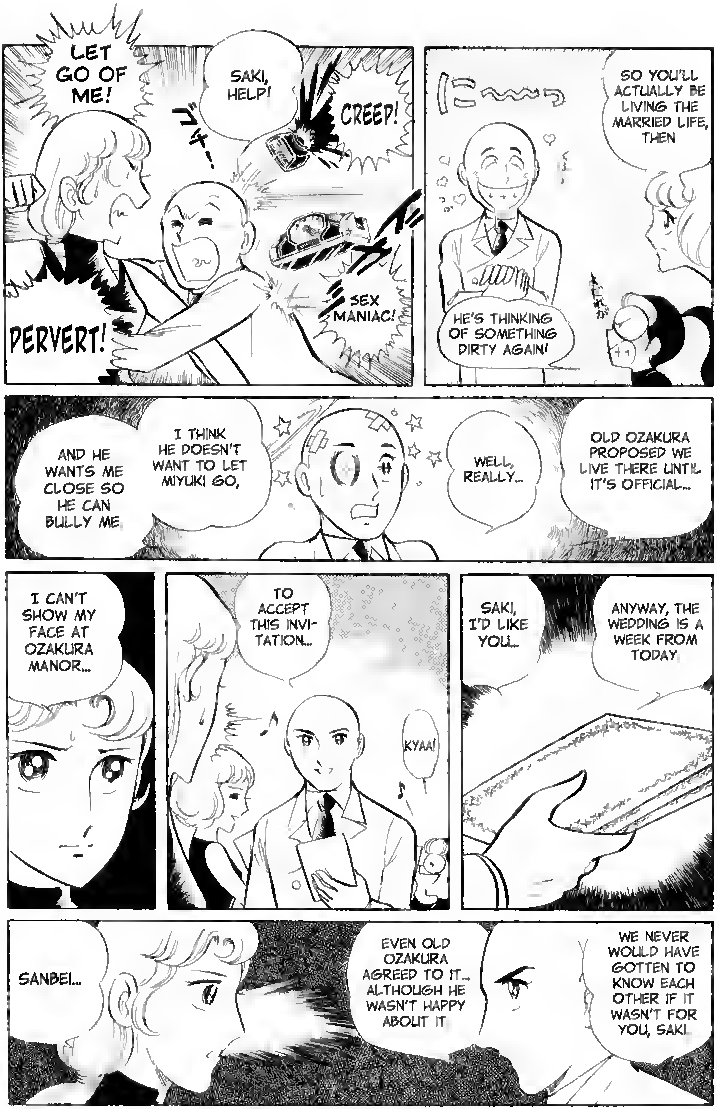
HUH? WHY NOT HAVE THE WEDDING NOW?
MY OLD MAN'S OUT OF THE HOSPITAL NOW, TOO, SO I'LL WAIT UNTIL I'VE STUDIED MORE TO TAKE OVER FROM HIM.
ANYONE COULD HAVE DONE WHAT I DID
BUT WE ARE GOING TO HAVE THE PROVISIONAL CEREMONY LIKE IT'S THE REAL THING.
I WAS JUST ABLE TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE OPPORTUNITY
WHEN ALL IS SAID AND DONE, MY SUCCESS WAS THANKS TO MY OLD MAN'S LONGTERM INVESTEMENTS
AND I COULDN'T HAVE DONE IT WITHOUT YOUR HELP, SAKI, AND YOURS, MR JIN
THE LEGAL MARRIAGE WILL HAVE TO WAIT UNTIL HE'S 18.
BUT SANDEI ISN'T OLD ENOUGH TO MARRY YET.
IT'S NO PROBLEM FOR MIYUKI AT 16,
THEY'RE STILL GOING TO LIVE TOGETHER IN OZAKURA MANOR AFTER THE CEREMONY?
WHAT? EVEN THOUGH THEY'RE PUTTING OFF THE MARRIAGE,
TH-THEN...
whisper
S-SAKI!
whisper
whisper
THEN THEY'LL HAVE TO STAY APART UNTIL THEN..? THAT'S A SHAME
ACTUALLY...


LET GO OF ME!
SAKI, HELP!
CREEP!
PERVERT!
SEX MANIAC!
SO YOU'LL ACTUALLY BE LIVING THE MARRIED LIFE, THEN
HE'S THINKING OF SOMETHING DIRTY AGAIN!
AND HE WANTS ME CLOSE SO HE CAN BULLY ME.
I THINK HE DOESN'T WANT TO LET MIYUKI GO,
WELL, REALLY...
OLD OZAKURA PROPOSED WE LIVE THERE UNTIL IT'S OFFICIAL...
I CAN'T SHOW MY FACE AT OZAKURA MANOR...
TO ACCEPT THIS INVITATION...
KYAA!
SAKI, I'D LIKE YOU...
ANYWAY, THE WEDDING IS A WEEK FROM TODAY.
SANBEI...
EVEN OLD OZAKURA AGREED TO IT... ALTHOUGH HE WASN'T HAPPY ABOUT IT.
WE NEVER WOULD HAVE GOTTEN TO KNOW EACH OTHER IF IT WASN'T FOR YOU, SAKI.

DON'T CRY, SAKI.
I KNOW...
I'M GLAD.
THANK YOU.
BRRRR
HEY THERE, SUN-GLASSES.
THANKS FOR YOUR HELP LAST TIME. WHAT DO YOU WANT?
SAKI...
YES, THIS IS...
OH!
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IS IT A CASE?
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I'LL GET THE FILES THERE AND LEAVE IMMEDIATELY.
HOKKAIDO? ...I UNDERSTAND.
WILL YOU BE BACK IN TIME FOR THE WEDDING?
I'VE GOT TO HURRY THERE'S A PLANE TO CATCH.
MIYUKI WANTS YOU THERE TOO...
THAT'S RIGHT
BUT... YOUR OWN SISTER'S WEDDING...
I DON'T KNOW
THE CASE WON'T WAIT.
STOP, SANBEI...
I KNOW; I'LL CALL SUPERINTENDENT KURAYAMA
I HAVE TO GO.
HE DOESN'T KNOW WHAT'S GOING ON HERE!

I'M...
A DELINQUENT COP
I'LL DRIVE YOU
THANKS
SAKI!
I'M SURE SAKI WANTS TO ATTEND...
DON'T WORRY. THIS IS SAKI WE'RE TALKING ABOUT. I'M SURE SHE'LL TAKE CARE OF THE CASE...
AND COME BACK IN TIME...

MIYUKI!
S-so casual!
SANBEI!
キキィ
YOU JUST MISSED HER
WHERE'S SAKI...?
DEFINITELY...
YEAH, SHE'LL DEFINITELY COME
THAT SAKI'S A STUDENT DETECTIVE...
MIYUKI DOESN'T KNOW...
WILL SHE BE THERE?
MIYUKI AND I BOTH WANT TO MAKE YOU HAPPY MORE THAN ANYONE ELSE.
PLEASE BE THERE, SAKI.

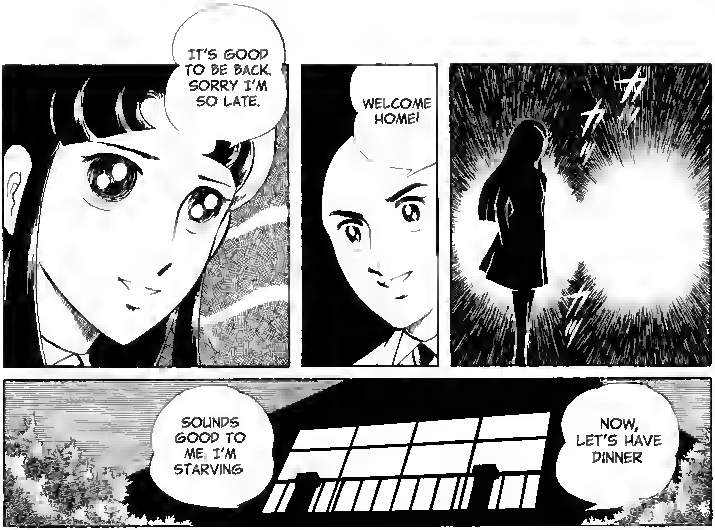
WHERE ARE YOU OFF TO TODAY?
I'M GOING TO TRY IT ON.
MY WEDDING DRESS IS READY.
THAT HURTS...
OH, SORRY
WE'LL EAT AT OZAKURA MANOR.
I'LL BE HOME AS SOON AS I CAN.
I'M OFF TO GIVE MR. NUMA HIS INVITATION.
THEN GET GOING
I'M SURE THEY'LL MAKE A WONDERFUL COUPLE
SO AM I
OH, MIO, I'M SO JEALOUS!
GRRRR!
I'LL BE GOING NOW.
WELL THEN..

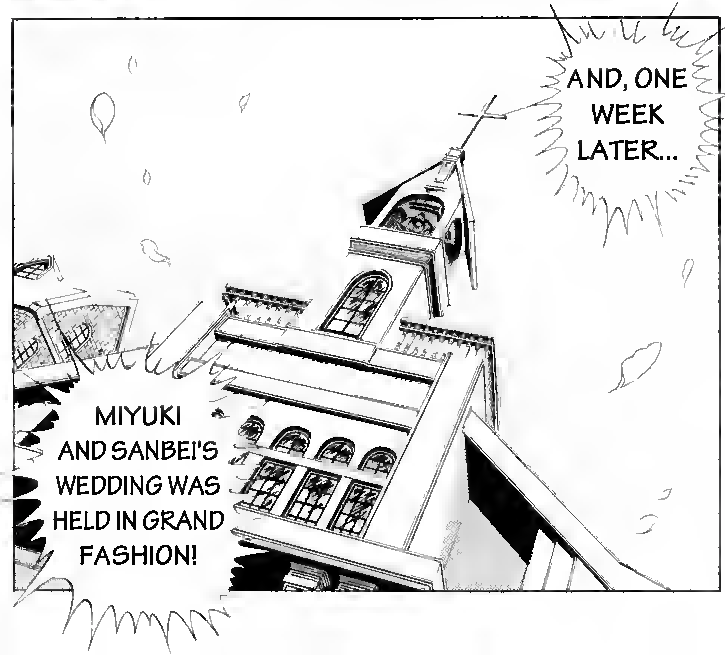
ブロロロオオオ!!
I'VE GOT A BAD FEELING...

I SEE CONGRATULATIONS
I'LL BE DELIGHTED TO ATTEND
HEHEHE GLAD TO HEAR IT. I WON'T GO EASY ON YOU.
I WAS ALWAYS TRANSFERRING, CHASING AFTER SAKI,
BUT FROM NOW ON I'LL BE BACK AT TAKANOHA HIGH
I CAN'T IMAGINE SHE'LL MISS IT.
AND WHAT ABOUT SAKI?
YOU'RE RIGHT.
I SEE... BEING A STUDENT DETECTIVE IS A FATEFUL "USINESS...
BUT THIS IS SAKI WE'RE TALKING ABOUT SHE'LL BE BACK.
BUT SHE JUST LEFT FOR HOKKAIDO ON A CASE, AND...
WE GOT OLD MR OZAKURA'S PERMISSION,

BE HAPPY...
BUT NEVER FORGET THE TIME YOU SPENT FIGHTING AT SAKI'S SIDE
YES...?
YES, I'M SURE SHE WILL...
SANDE!!
WHERE THERE'S LIGHT, THERE'S SHADOW
AFTER JOY COMES SORROW.
HATE LURKS IN THE UNDER-SIDE OF LOVE.
YOU MUST HAVE SEEN IT WITH YOUR OWN EYES WHILE YOU WERE WITH SAKI.
EVERY TIME YOU CLIMB OUT OF A CHASM, THERE'S SOMEONE WAITING TO PUSH YOU BACK DOWN.
TAKE PLEASURE IN YOUR SUCCESS.. BUT DON'T GET DRUNK ON IT!
PUT THE FRUITS OF YOUR BATTLES TO GOOD USE.
I COULD NEVER FORGET MY TIME WITH SAKI
WHY...?
SORRY. I DON'T MEAN TO THROW COLD WATER ON YOUR HAPPINESS.
MEN LIKE ME GET UNEASY WHEN THINGS ARE GOING TOO WELL.

OH... THAT MUST BE HER NOW.
WELL THEN, I'LL BE ON MY WAY.
STILL, YOU'RE A FAMILY MAN NOW.
YOU'LL HAVE CHILDREN OF YOUR OWN SOON.
EVERYONE'S MAKING FUN OF ME!
DON'T YOU START TOO, MR NUMA!
WHERE THERE'S LIGHT, THERE'S SHADOW.
NEVER FORGET THAT, SANBEI!
MIYUKI ISN'T BACK YET.
OH, SANBEI. WELCOME HOME.

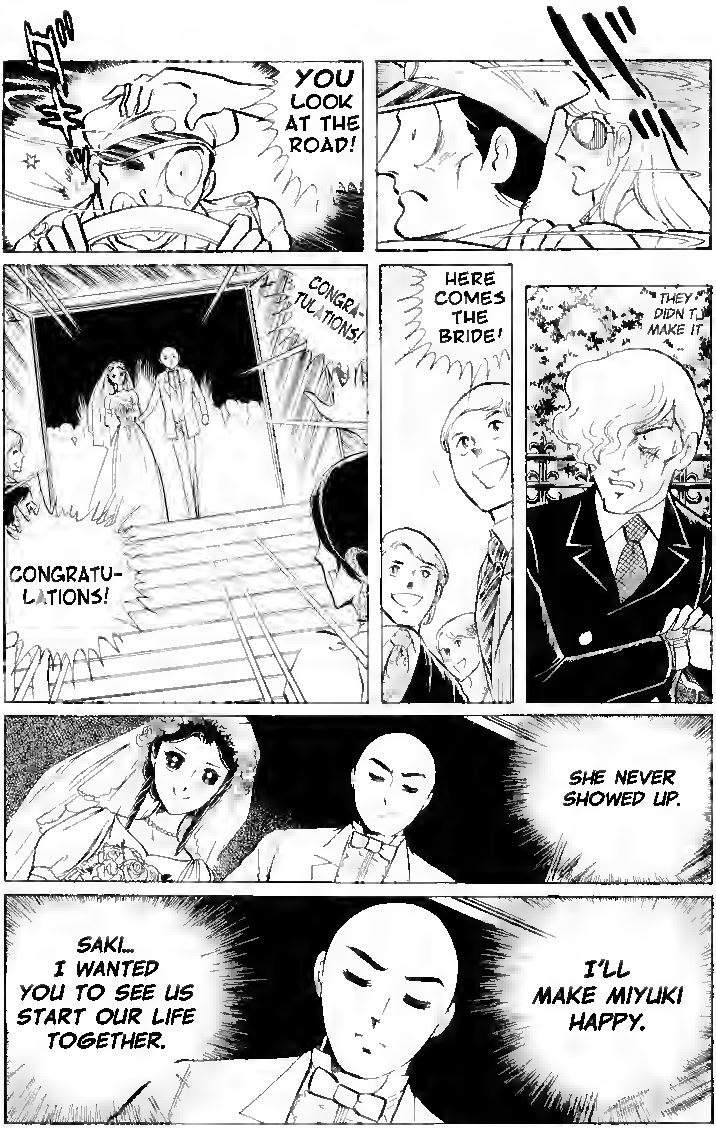

IT'S GOOD TO BE BACK. SORRY I'M SO LATE.
WELCOME HOME!
SOUNDS GOOD TO ME. I'M STARVING
NOW, LET'S HAVE DINNER

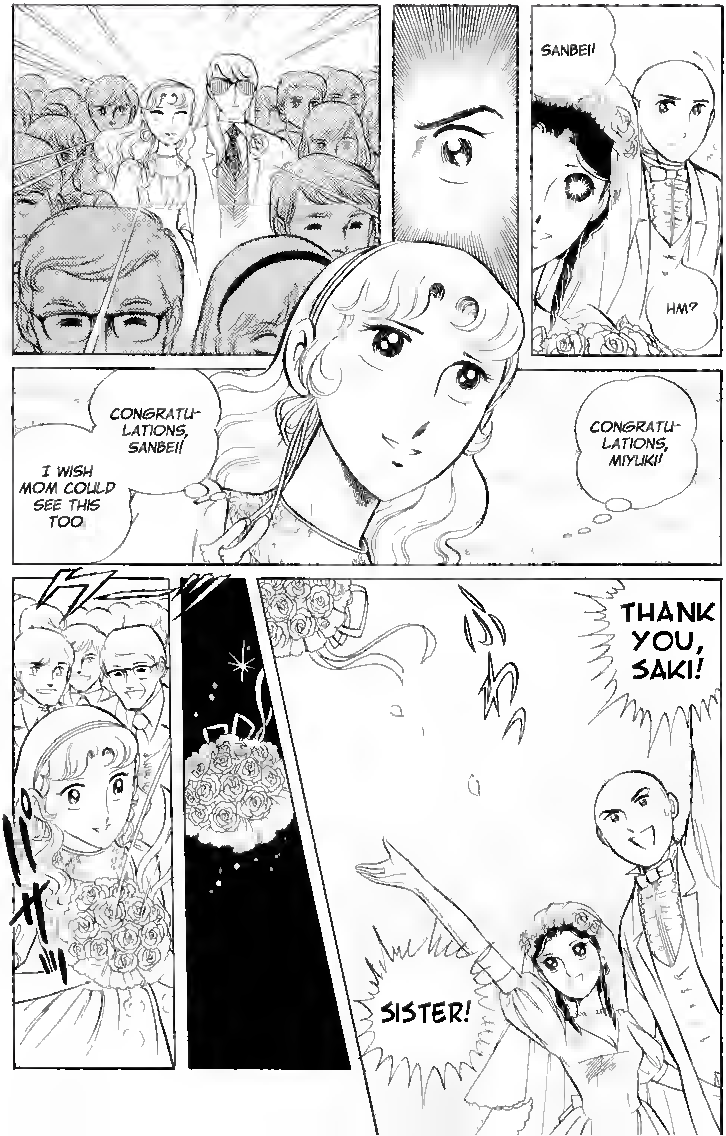

AND, ONE WEEK LATER...
MIYUKI AND SANBEI'S WEDDING WAS HELD IN GRAND FASHION!

YES... SO ARE MR JIN AND MR. NUMA...
SAKI SURE IS LATE.
I HOPE SHE COMES SOON.
SAKI'S NOT HERE YET...
SHE WON'T MAKE IT IN TIME
SHE CALLED THIS MORNING TO SAY SHE CLEARED UP THE CASE
SHE'S LATE...

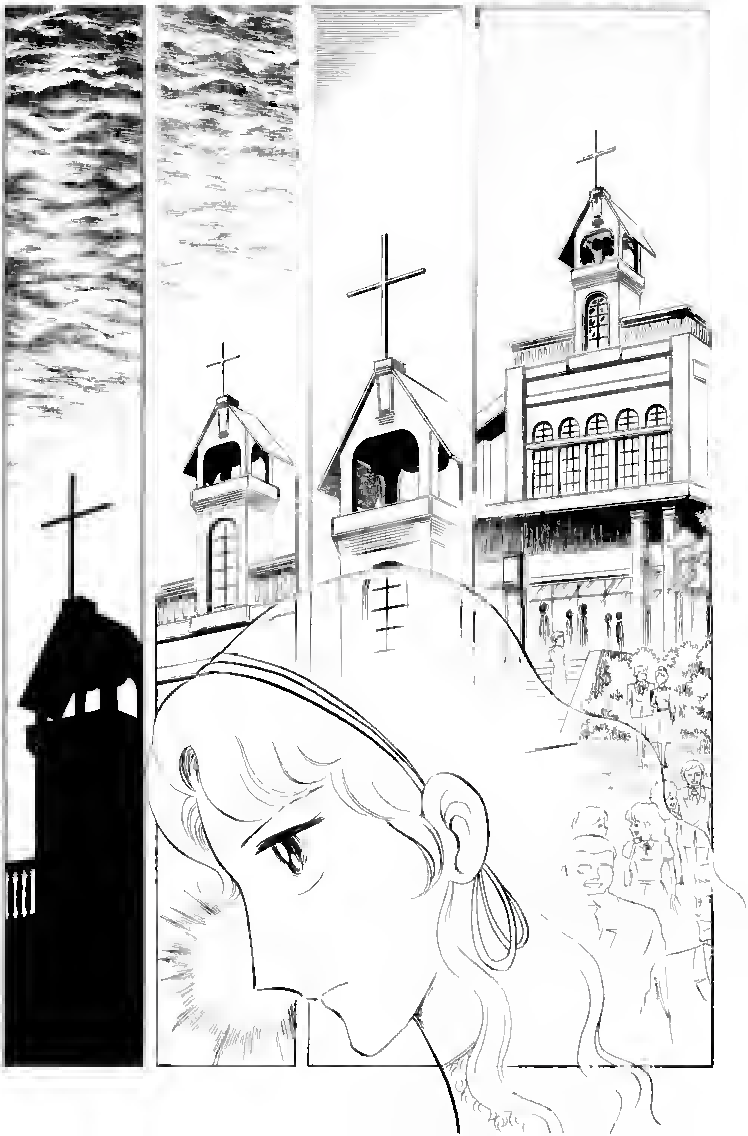
THERE'S NOTHING I CAN DO..
PLEASE.. I'M GOING TO BE LATE TO MY SISTER'S WEDDING..
YOU'D HAVE TO HITCH A RIDE ON AN AMBULANCE OR A COP CAR TO—
NO CAN DO. WE'RE STUCK IN RUSH HOUR.
CAN'T YOU GO ANY FASTER?
Meanwhile, Saki was
TAXI
SAKI!
SH-SHE ACTUALLY GOT ONE..
WH-WHO IS THAT GIRL?
JIN!
TALK LATER! GET IN THE CAR!

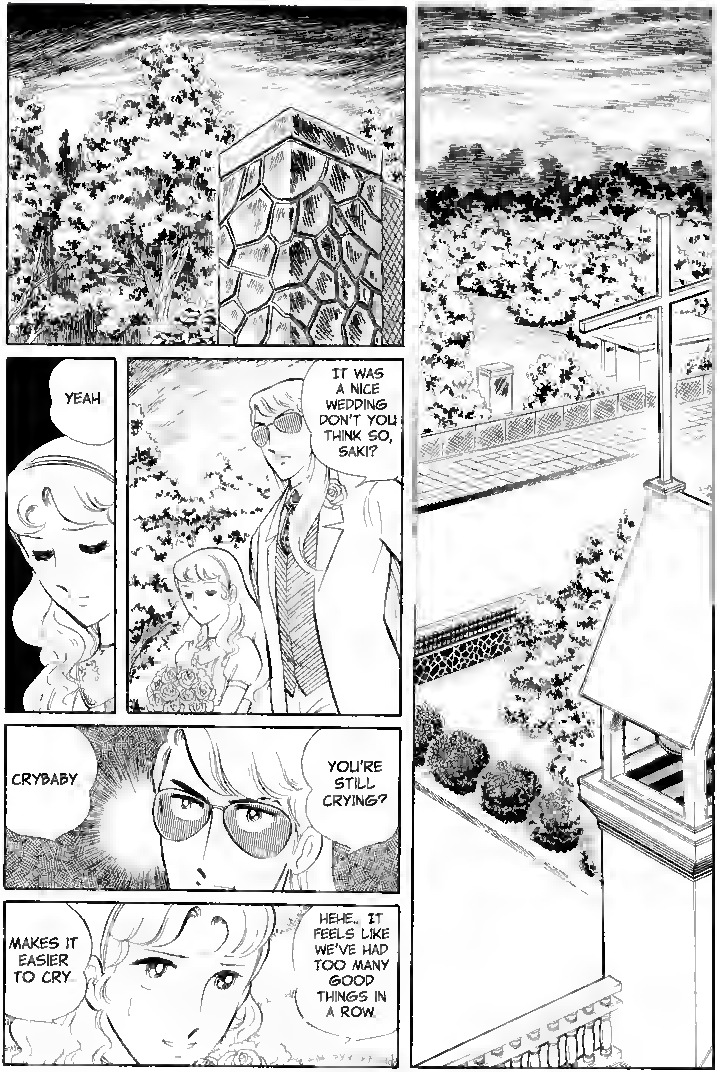
YES SIR!
OK, FLOOR IT! I'LL TAKE RESPON-SIBILITY!
CLOTHES YOU CAN'T SHOW UP LOOKING LIKE THAT.
?
THEY'RE IN YOUR SIZE.
HERE
IT'LL BE CLOSE
WILL WE MAKE IT?
LOOK OVER THERE! THE OTHER WAY!
WHAT ARE YOU LOOKING AT?
WAH!

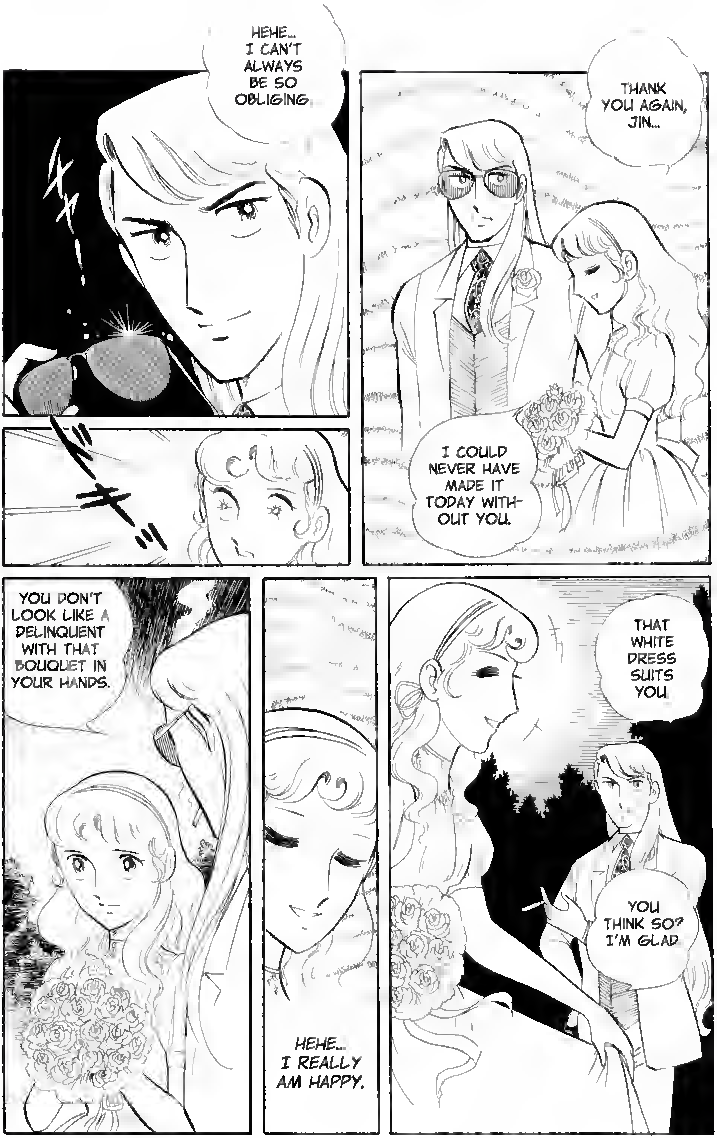

YOU LOOK AT THE ROAD!
CONGRATULATIONS!
CONGRATULATIONS!
HERE COMES THE BRIDE!
THEY DIDN'T MAKE IT...
SHE NEVER SHOWED UP.
SAKI... I WANTED YOU TO SEE US START OUR LIFE TOGETHER.
I'LL MAKE MIYUKI HAPPY.


SANBEI!
HM?
CONGRATU-LATIONS, SANBEI!
I WISH MOM COULD SEE THIS TOO.
CONGRATU-LATIONS, MIYUKI!
THANK YOU, SAKI!
SISTER!

Who could have foreseen the demon that was about to awaken...?
On that shining day, who could have imagined...?
♡JUST MERRIED♡
But, on that day, unbeknownst to anyone... the devil had already begun to bare its fangs...
And a terrifying tomorrow was about to pounce on Saki!




IT WAS A NICE WEDDING DON'T YOU THINK SO, SAKI?
YEAH.
YOU'RE STILL CRYING?
CRYBABY.
HEHE... IT FEELS LIKE WE'VE HAD TOO MANY GOOD THINGS IN A ROW.
MAKES IT EASIER TO CRY.


HEHE... I CAN'T ALWAYS BE SO OBLIGING.
THANK YOU AGAIN, JIN...
I COULD NEVER HAVE MADE IT TODAY WITHOUT YOU.
YOU DON'T LOOK LIKE A DELINQUENT WITH THAT BOUQUET IN YOUR HANDS.
HEHE... I REALLY AM HAPPY.
THAT WHITE DRESS SUITS YOU.
YOU THINK SO? I'M GLAD.

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SAKI!
WHAT'S WRONG!?
THERE WAS A SPIDER IN THE BOUQUET...
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HM?
YOU'RE RIGHT. IT'S A LARGE, VENOMOUS SPIDER FROM SOUTH AMERICA.
BUT WHY...
IT ALMOST BIT ME.
IT LOOKS VENOMOUS
HMM
THE RIBBON'S DISCOLORED EVIDENCE OF A POWERFUL DRUG
SAKI, LOOK.
THAT'S RIGHT. THEIR PLAN WAS PROBABLY...
IN WHICH CASE, THE CULPRIT'S MISTAKE WAS HOW MUCH OF THE DRUG THEY USED...
THE DRUG KEPT THE SPIDER ASLEEP INSIDE THE BOUQUET.
WHEN IT WORE OFF, THE SPIDER WOULD ATTACK YOU. A TRAP..?
NO. TOO MUCH WAS UP TO CHANCE FOR ME TO BE THE TARGET.
WE WRAPPED UP THE CASE IN HOKKAIDO EARLY THIS MORNING...
WE DIDN'T KNOW IF WE WOULD MAKE THE WEDDING. BESIDES, THEY COULDN'T BE SURE MIYUKI WOULD THROW THE BOUQUET TO ME.
TO GET MIYUKI RIGHT IN THE MIDDLE OF THE...

JIN! WHAT'S SANBEI AND MIYUKI'S SCHEDULE?
SAKI!

LET'S GO!
I DON'T WANT TO BELIEVE IT, BUT...!

THEY STAY IN THE OZAKURAS' VILLA TONIGHT, AND TOMORROW THEY LEAVE FOR THEIR HONEYMOON IN EUROPE.

I REALLY DON'T WANT TO BELIEVE IT!

WHY?
WHY MIYUKI?

SAKI, HERE!
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MIYUKI.
KEEP MIYUKI SAFE...!
SANBEI, I'M COUNTING ON YOU!

Ozakura Villa
STILL, I'M GLAD SAKI WAS THERE
SHE WAS ABLE TO SEE US OFF..
SO, OFF TO EUROPE TOMOR-ROW..
WHEW... WEDDINGS SURE ARE SERIOUS
MY LIFE STARTS NOW.
I'VE GOT TO BE TOGETHER ENOUGH TO KEEP MIYUKI SAFE...

I'VE USED IT FOR FUN— AND SELF-DEFENSE— SINCE I WAS LITTLE...
BUT I WON'T BE NEEDING IT ANYMORE
I'LL GET RID OF THIS FISHING ROD.
LET'S GO, SANBE!!
SURE THING!
HM?
WOO-HOO

I CAN'T GO GETTING WORKED UP LOOKING AT MY OWN WIFE'S SILHOUETTE
EHEHE MIYUKI'S SURPRISINGLY CURVY
SHE MUST BE THE TYPE THAT LOOKS SLIMMER DRESSED
I KNOW TO SHOW I'VE CHANGED,
STARTING TODAY...
I'LL GROW MY HAIR OUT!
IT'LL PROBABLY BE BACK TO HOW LONG IT WAS IN 4 OR 5 MONTHS
TO GET SAKI TO LIKE ME.
I ONLY SHAVED IT IN THE FIRST PLACE
NOW, HOW ABOUT A SHOWER?
AFTER ALL, THIS IS...
CAN'T HAVE MIYUKI THINKING I WENT BALD EARLY

WEDDING NIGHT...
MY WEDDING NIGHT.
(THE OPPOSITE OF A CLOSET PERVERT)
AN UP-FRONT PERVERT!
NO, HE'S JUST TRUE TO HIS INSTINCTS!
sputter!
MR WADA, IS SANDE A SEX MANIAC?
♫ HM~ HM~ HMM

SHE'S REALLY CRYING... WHAT A PUSHOVER
I'M SO HAPPY FOR YOU, YOUNG MASTER. IT BRINGS A TEAR TO YOUR OLD NURSE'S EYE...
YEAH, I KNOW.
YOUR WIFE IS IN THE WESTERN BEDROOM.
YES
HUH?
IS THE BATH READY?
MORE IMPORTANTLY...
HOW VULGAR...
HOW'D YOU LIKE TO TAKE A BATH TOGETHER?
OH, MI~YU~KI!
Meanwhile Saki and Jin were...

DAMN! THIS MORNING, AND NOW THIS!
HOW CAN I CALM DOWN!?
IT'S PROBABLY REMI WHO'S GOT MIYUKI IN HER SIGHTS!
CALM DOWN, SAKI!
WHAT DOES JAPAN NEED SO MANY CARS FOR!?
SHE PLANS TO START BY ATTACKING TO PEOPLE AROUND YOU.
TO MAKE YOU SUFFER
...YES, PROBABLY.
THAT SOUNDS LIKE SOMETHING THAT VIPER WOULD THINK UP.
WATCH YOURSELF, SAKI! REMI'S WATCHING EVERY MOVE YOU MAKE.
CASSOWARY
REMI HATES YOU...
AND SHE DOESN'T HATE LIKE NORMAL PEOPLE.
SHE HATES YOU MORE THAN ANYONE, MORE THAN ANY ENEMY. SHE HATES YOU SO MUCH JUST KILLING YOU WON'T BE ENOUGH FOR HER.

DOES...
SHE'S INVESTIGATING YOU SO THAT SHE CAN CRUSH YOU COMPLETELY,
AND MAKE YOU DIE IN AGONY.
MURDERING EVERYONE I'M CLOSE TO!?
DOES SHE PLAN ON
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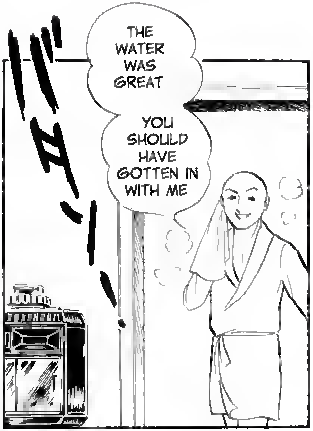
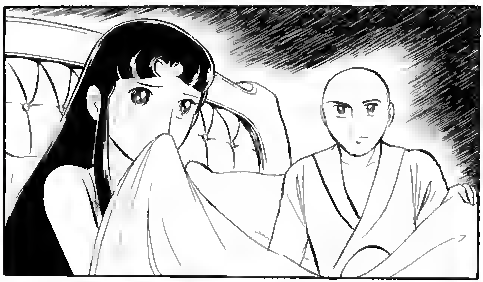
SANBEI, PLEASE!
PLEASE PROTECT MIYUKI..!
ALRIGHT, WE'RE OUT OF TRAFFIC. I'M GOING TO FLOOR IT!
SANBEI!

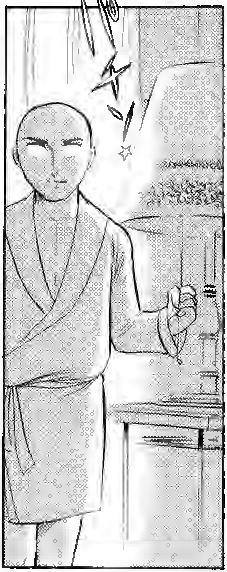
HM?
I THOUGHT... I HEARD SOMEONE CALLING ME...
?
YOU CALLED FOR ME?
NO?
VERY WELL THEN. GOOD NIGHT.
WELL THEN, WE'LL LEAVE YOU TWO ALONE.
SURE.
WE LEAVE TOMORROW NIGHT,
SO LET US SLEEP IN.
CRICKETS... IT'S ALREADY FALL.

I'M EMBAR-RASSED..
OH, BUT..


THE WATER WAS GREAT
YOU SHOULD HAVE GOTTEN IN WITH ME

SHE'S SO CUTE!





MIYUKI...
AH...

SOMEONE'S OUTSIDE
SANBEI?
THE CRICKETS STOPPED CHIRPING?
HUH?
Shhh

THERE'S NO ONE THERE
WHO'S THERE?
THERE IS.
TWO...
ONE..
JUST BURGLARS, OR...?
THREE

HIYAH!
MIYUKI, GET INSIDE AND STAY PUT!
IT LOOKS LIKE THEY'RE AFTER US!
THEY MUST HAVE PLANNED THIS KNOWING WE'D BE HERE TONIGHT
AND THEY'RE FITTED WITH SUPPRES-SORS
DAMN ALL THREE OF THEM HAVE PISTOLS
THIS IS MY FIGHT...
DOESN'T LOOK LIKE WE CAN COUNT ON HELP COMING

STILL, I DIDN'T FIGHT ALONGSIDE SAKI FOR NOTHING
I'LL MAKE THEM REGRET IT.
FIRST, I'LL HAVE TO SPLIT THEM UP.
OH-HO... SO, THEY'RE CLUMPED UP OVER THERE
THAT TREE'S PERFECT.

CHECK FOR A BODY.
OK!
THAT WAS EASIER THAN I EXPECTED
HEHE... THERE HE IS
OH!
AH!

IT'S JUST HIS ROBE, HANGING ON A TREE!
DAMN... HE TRICKED US!
SWAT!
STAY BACK! HIS GUN'S BEEN TAKEN!

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I'M GOING IN. COVER ME.
OK!
SORRY ABOUT THIS...
FOREIGNERS... WHY ARE THEY AFTER US?
BLOND HAIR...?
WHOOPS CAN'T HAVE YOU MAKING NOISE.
?

WILLY!
NOW...
OH!
DROP YOUR GUN AND STAND UP!
OH!
BACK TO ME
NO FUNNY BUSINESS

TELL ME... WHY ARE YOU AFTER US?
...LOOKS LIKE YOU'RE DIFFERENT FROM THE ORDINARY RATS.
AH!
YOU'RE TOO SOFT.

I'LL TURN THEM OVER TO THE COPS IN THE MORNING
WELL, THAT'S THAT
MIYUKI, I TOOK CARE OF EVERY-THING
IT'S SAFE NOW
Waste of a good face
THE NERVE OF THEM, INTERRUPTING OUR WEDDING NIGHT

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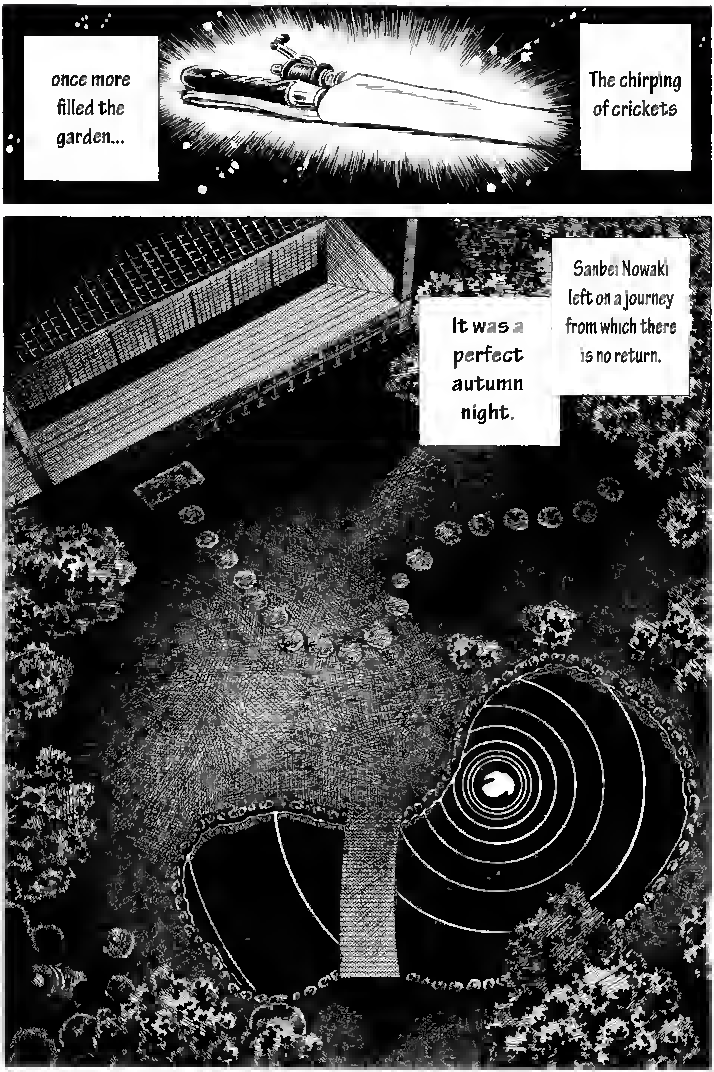
ズズ…
WHERE'S MIYUKI...
MIYUKI...
PATHETIC BUNCH, AREN'T YOU? I'LL GET YOU OUT OF HERE

SAKI.
I CAN'T DIE HERE!
I CAN'T DIE.
SANBEI!
SANBEI...
SANBEI.
SANBEI?
I WASN'T ABLE TO MAKE MIYUKI HAPPY
MR. NUMA...
WHERE THERE'S LIGHT, THERE'S SHADOW.
NEVER FORGET YOUR TIME FIGHTING AT SAKI'S SIDE, SANBEI!

I GUESS I'M JUST...
A NATURAL BORN SCATTER-BRAIN... SAKI...
EVEN THOUGH MR. NUMA TOLD ME... NOT TO GET DRUNK ON HAPPINESS...
SORRY, SAKI
SAKI.
MIYUKI...
I DON'T WANT TO DIE.


once more filled the garden...
The chirping of crickets
It was a perfect autumn night.
Sanbei Nowaki left on a journey from which there is no return.